

**St. Mary's College**  
**Department of Humanities**  
**LAT 301: Survey of Latin Literature**  
**Fall 2023**

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**Class Schedule:** MWF 1:35-2:25 (Rm. 200)  
**Office Hours:** TBA (also by appointment)

**Course Description and Purpose:**

For students with a firm grasp of Latin grammar and syntax, this course will apply grammatical knowledge through consideration of literary works from all periods and genres, including examples in both poetry and prose.

**Course Materials (required):**

Course packet is provided.  
A midsize or larger Latin dictionary (*e.g. Bantam New College Latin & English Dictionary*) is required.  
*Gildersleeve's Latin Grammar* (any edition) is recommended.

**Grading and Assignments:**

Students are to be prepared to translate passages assigned for each class. As this is a reading class, students are not given daily assignments to be graded – no written homework will be assigned – but rather are expected to engage in independent readings followed by lively discussions in the classroom.

Three quizzes on literature selections previously read in class as well as sight passages will be administered (see schedule below).

A midterm and a comprehensive final examination will be given. Also, 10% of the final grade will be based on the student's participation in both translation and class discussions.

**Grade Distribution:**

Quizzes:	45%
Participation:	10%
Midterm:	20%
Final:	25%

**Attendance Policy:**

Regular attendance is expected. More than three unexcused absences within a semester will affect the student's final grade, resulting in an automatic drop of one letter grade increment (e.g., an A drops to an A-) for EACH absence after the third.

**Reading Schedule:**

Week 1:	9/6	Introduction; <i>Sententiae; Veni Sancte Spiritus</i>
	9/8	Cicero, <i>In Catilinam</i> 1.1-8
Week 2:	9/11	Cicero (cont.)

- 9/13 Cicero (cont.)  
9/15 Catullus: 1, 2, 3, 51
- Week 3: 9/18 Catullus (cont.)  
9/20 Pliny the Younger, 6.20  
9/22 **QUIZ 1**
- Week 4: 9/25 Pliny (cont.)  
9/27 Pliny (cont.)  
9/29 Pliny (cont.)
- Week 5: 10/2 Cicero, *Ad Fam.* 12.10  
10/4 Cicero (cont.); Plautus, *Rudens* 514-522  
10/6 Terence, *Andria* 1-27
- Week 6: 10/9 *Lucis Creator Optime, Te Lucis Ante Terminum; Oratio Ante Studium*  
10/11 Ennius, *Annales* 1.32-48  
10/13 **QUIZ 2**
- Week 7: 10/16 Ovid, *Met.* 1.89-150  
10/18 Ovid (cont.)  
10/20 Ovid (cont.)
- Week 8: 10/23 Ovid (cont.)  
10/25 Petronius, *Cena Trimalchionis* excerpts  
10/27 **MIDTERM**
- Week 9: 10/30 **NO CLASS** (MID-SEMESTER BREAK)  
11/1 **NO CLASS** (ALL SAINTS' DAY)  
11/3 *Dies Irae* and other texts from All Souls' Day
- Week 10: 11/6 St. Jerome, *Ep. 22 Ad Eustochium*  
11/8 Ovid, *Heroides* 1 excerpts  
11/10 Ovid (cont.)
- Week 11: 11/13 Juvenal: *Sat.* 3.268-314  
11/15 Juvenal (cont.)  
11/17 **QUIZ 3**
- Week 12: 11/20 *Carmina Burana (In Taberna, O Fortuna, Olim Lacus Colueram)*  
11/22 **NO CLASS** (THANKSGIVING BREAK)  
11/24 **NO CLASS** (THANKSGIVING BREAK)
- Week 13: 11/27 **NO CLASS** (THANKSGIVING BREAK)  
11/29 *Creator Alme Siderum; Christe, Redemptor Omnium*  
12/1 Horace, *Odes* 1.9
- Week 14: 12/4 Horace (cont.)  
12/6 St. Ambrose, *Veni Redemptor Gentium*; texts from the feast of the Immaculate Conception

12/8 **NO CLASS** (IMMACULATE CONCEPTION)

Week 15: 12/11 Vergil, *Aeneid* 1 (excerpts)  
12/13 Summary/closing remarks/sight reading

**TBA FINAL EXAM**